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Interview Summary	Application No.	Applicant(s)	
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All participants (applicant, applicant's representative, PTO personnel):

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(2) Michael Morgan. (4) _____.

Date of Interview: 23 June 2004.

Type: a) ☒ Telephonic b) ☐ Video Conference
c) ☐ Personal [copy given to: 1) ☐ applicant 2) ☐ applicant's representative]

Exhibit shown or demonstration conducted: d) ☐ Yes e) ☒ No.
If Yes, brief description: _____.

Claim(s) discussed: All.

Identification of prior art discussed: EP 0844286.

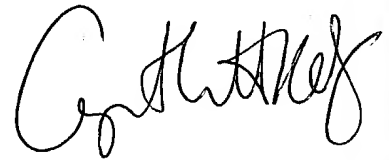
Agreement with respect to the claims f) ☐ was reached. g) ☒ was not reached. h) ☐ N/A.

Substance of Interview including description of the general nature of what was agreed to if an agreement was reached, or any other comments: Applicant argued EP '286 did not teach a support layer as a film. Examiner maintained although EP '286 does not explicitly teach the substrate is a film, Webster's New World Dictionary Third College Edition, defines a film as a surface, layer or coating. Based upon this definition Examiner upholds EP '286's coated substrate (layer) as a film comprising the same thermoplastic material as claimed.

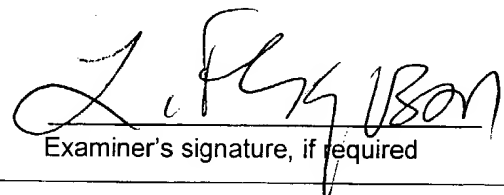
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